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TAGS:MILI, MMOL, PFOR, TH, US

SUBJECT: U.S. RESIDUAL ACTIVITIES IN THAILAND: SIGNATURE OF  
CHIANG MAI AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

REF: BANGKOK 23136

1. CIRCULAR 175 AUTHORITY TO NEGOTIATE AND CONCLUDE AGREE-  
MENTS WITH THE THAI FOR U.S. RESIDUAL ACTIVITIES HAS BEEN  
SIGNED AND A COPY POUCHED TO THE EMBASSY.

2. WE CONCUR IN YOUR RECOMMENDATION THAT CHIEF JUSMAGTHAI  
SIGN THE AIT AND ICS AGREEMENTS AND THAT THE DATT IN HIS  
CAPACITY AS AIR ATTACHE SIGN BOTH THE CHIANG MAI MOA AND  
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3. THE SIGNING LEVEL YOU HAVE PROPOSED IS CONSISTENT WITH

OUR DESIRE TO STRESS THE TECHNICAL NATURE OF THESE AGREEMENTS, AVOIDING THEIR ELEVATION TO THE POLICY LEVEL. HOWEVER, WE AGREE THAT CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN THAT WE NOT AWAKEN THE STILL LINGERING SUSPICIONS, ESPECIALLY WITHIN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, THAT WE ARE STRIKING A FAST DEAL WITH THE THAI MILITARY. WE, THEREFORE, AGREE WITH YOUR PLAN TO APPROACH NITIPHAT ON THIS QUESTION

BUT YOU SHOULD KEEP IN MIND THAT THE CIRCULAR 175 AUTHORITY SPECIFICALLY ALLOWS THE NEGOTIATION AND CONCLUSION OF THE AIT, ICS AND CHAING MAI AGREEMENTS AND NOT RPT NOT AN OVERALL AGREEMENT.

4. WE CAN AUTHORIZE THE CONCLUSION OF THE CHIANG MAI AGREEMENTS IN ADVANCE OF THE OTHER ELEMENTS OF OUR RESIDUAL ACTIVITIES PACKAGE ONLY IF IN YOUR JUDGMENT WE LOSE NO POTENTIAL LEVERAGE WITH THE THAI BY SO DOING. ALSO, BEFORE AUTHORIZING THE SIGNATURE OF ANY AGREEMENTS WE WILL WANT THE EMBASSY TO PROVIDE US THE AGREED TEXTS FOR FINAL REVIEW. HABIB

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